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Director of Training

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Chief, Plans and Policy Staff

Weekly Activity Report #38

1. PPS Participation in Instruction

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In addition to the current monitoring of the ELINT course by [] and [] helped introduce the IOC on 5 October, will participate in a CSLO seminar on 19 October, and will substitute for Mr. [] in the "Training Support for CIA's Wartime Mission" lecture to be presented in Project USEFUL #6 on 22 October 1959.

2. Language Instruction for JOT's

Language training questionnaires were completed by 61 JOT's and wives of the 1959 class. Of these, 13 reported interest in language training but indicated an inability to do so because of other commitments (other language courses, care of children, attendance at night school, etc.). Of the 48 who requested after-hours or daytime training (wives only), 25 JOT's (and wives) requested beginning training in French (9), Spanish (8), German (5), Russian (3), and Italian (2). Fourteen requested intermediate or advanced instruction in French (5), German (5), and 2 each in Spanish and Russian. The facilities of the Voluntary Language Training Program will be used to meet this demand. Instruction is scheduled (it is hoped!) to begin on 7 October. [] and especially [] deserve a word of praise for their efforts in setting up courses to handle this requirement.

3. Special Forces

Mr. [] dropped in again on Monday, 5 October. Col. Bryan, a combat developments officer at the Special Warfare Center, had asked [] what had become of the Special Forces instructional material sent to CIA in 1958 (?) for comment. [] has located this material, left dormant in [] files. Mr. [] reviewed and constructively critiqued the material in 1958, but it was never forwarded. It is now assumed to be somewhat dated. [] will report to Col. Bryan that

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25X1 it has been located but will suggest that rather than have a critique
 25X1 on the old, Special Forces might wish to send up more current material
 for a quick, informal review by OTR. [] can handle
 this, with assists by CO/OS and [] if appropriate. This would
 give OTR [] and DD/P, of course, a look at current SF ops and training
 doctrine, which would be beneficial on several counts, including
 coordination.

4. CIA Reserve Officer Training and Contingency Training

25X1 [] attended the two week [] for CIA
 military reservists just completed at []. He reports that the
 twelve trainees were very well pleased with the instruction and con-
 sidered it very much worth the time and effort devoted to it. []
 strongly recommends that as many as possible of our CIA military
 reservists attend the courses available to them []. Since
 undoubtedly many members of the CIA Contingency Force are reserve
 officers, this training serves a dual purpose.

Accordingly, PPE/TR suggests that:

25X1 a. [] not schedule the proposed Contingency Force
 Refresher Training at the expense of reserve training, but
 exploit the latter to augment the refresher course;

25X1 b. [] take necessary, appropriate action (in line
 with Col. L. K. White's suggestion at the CIA Reserve general
 meeting on 14 September 1959) to urge or encourage or make
 mandatory attendance, at least by CIA Army reserve officers,
 25X1 of both the [] and Air Operations Courses for Reservists
 during a three year period;

c. a third course also be presented for those who have
 had the above two courses--namely, a two weeks' course in
 Guerrilla Warfare, covering guerrilla warfare organization,
 operations and tactics; weapons; and order of battle and
 operational intelligence;

25X1 d. the same three courses be utilized [] for
 training of Contingency Force members who are not reservists.

25X1 If these special courses for Reservists overtax the instructor
 group of [] the Reserve units could be asked to include in

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each class a specified number of officers qualified to act as assistant instructors. With a little advance planning, such an arrangement is entirely feasible and will become increasingly easy to handle as more Reservists complete the special courses.

In due course it might also be feasible to feed, through reorganization and new instructional material, an appropriate degree of Contingency Force doctrine and training into the weekly training meetings. In any event, we might consider the Agency military Reservists as a sort of reserve pool also for the Contingency Force. It seems logical that an analysis of the training background and military experience of our Reservists will unearth persons with talents pertinent to the Contingency Force program.

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Mr. visited the He did not observe anything that was not reported already by Mr. . That the is a well run warehousing effort, there is no doubt. A separate report covering the trip has been prepared.

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